Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 29 Oct 2021 until 23:59 on Saturday 30 Oct 2021

Forecast Issued on Thursday 28 Oct 2021 at 15:56 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for changeable and often wet weather over the coming days. The greatest uncertainty relates to the timing of the individual areas of rain. Good confidence for colder conditions next week.

Headline for Friday 29 Oct 2021: Rain developing across most parts. Driest in the west. Mainly light winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 29 Oct 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
20%	40%	30%	40%	60%	60%	20%	40%

Forecast for Friday 29 Oct 2021

Weather: A few passing showers possible through the early hours. The morning will then be largely dry, bright or sunny but cloud will thicken from the south to bring a wet afternoon across the hills, although some of the west coast may stay dry throughout. Some heavier, perhaps briefly torrential, spells may develop in the east. Clearer, drier into the evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 50% north, no chance in the south. Improving 70% widely through evening.

Visibility: Thick cloud through the Central Belt of Scotland will shroud the Lomond and Trossach hill through morning, mostly above 400m. Elsewhere, some areas of cloud above 600-800m. Heavier rain will turn lower slopes hazy. Clearer conditions will spread east from late afternoon leaving many summits clear.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	15/19 SE	13/16 SE	12/14 SE	9/10 SE	7/10 W	12/15 W	13/18 SW	17/22 S	18/24 SE
900	11/15 SE	9/12 SE	7/10 S	6/8 S	5/8 W	8/12 W	10/14 SW	12/17 S	13/19 S
600	6/9 SE	6/8 E	6/8 E	5/6 NE	5/7 W	7/10 SW	9/13 SW	12/17 S	11/17 S
300	7/10 SE	5/8 SE	3/4 NE	3/4 N	3/5 SW	4/7 SW	5/9 S	7/11 S	7/12 SE
Glen	3/5 SE	2/5 SE	2/4 E	2/4 W	3/6 W	3/7 S	4/8 SW	5/10 S	5/10 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	3/-2	3/-2	2/-2	2/-2	2/-1	1/-3	0/-5	0/-5	-0/-6
900	4/1	4/1	4/2	4/2	4/2	4/1	3/-1	3/-2	2/-2
600	8/6	8/6	7/5	7/5	6/5	6/4	5/2	5/2	5/2
300	10/8	9/8	9/8	9/8	8/8	8/7	8/6	7/6	7/5
Glen	10/10	10/9	9/9	10/9	10/10	10/9	9/8	8/7	8/7
Freezing Level*	1700m	1700m	1700m	1600m	1500m	1400m	1300m	1300m	1300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

There is uncertainty in the extent of rainfall, but western parts look set to escape the worst of this. Feeling cold across highest ground, even considering the limited strength in the wind.

Forecast for Saturday 30 Oct 2021

Weather: Dry through the early hours but rain will quickly spread northwards to affect all ranges and some heavier spells are possible within this. Improving generally conditions by afternoon as this cloud and rain clears north leaving scattered showers, these perhaps heavy and thundery, and some bright or sunny spells. Increasingly dry through evening.

Maximum wind: South 15-25mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10% morning, improving 50%.

Visibility: Extensive above around 400-600m for all ranges as rain arrives and brings tricky navigation conditions. This will lift and break, leaving only occasional patches above 600m thereafter, these often associated with passing showers. Visibility falling to a few kilometers on lower slopes during rain and showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 8-10 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 1 or 2 Celsius.
Freezing level: 1200-1400m.

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